



Emergency Message for U.S Citizens: Vilnius (Lithuania) Demonstrations

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According to public reports, numerous trade unions and a pensioners' association are planning a rally and demonstration that could involve several thousand people on Saturday, December 10th from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. The city government has approved a request for demonstrators to assemble at 53 Gedimino Avenue near the Parliament building, and then march along Gedimino Avenue to Vincas Kudirka Square (11 Gedimino Avenue) in front of the Governmental Palace, where the rally will occur. This portion of Gedimino Avenue and possibly some other streets will be closed to vehicular traffic.

Although such demonstrations have generally been peaceful in nature, American Citizens are reminded that even gatherings intended to be peaceful can become confrontational.

Therefore, it is recommended that you avoid the areas of demonstrations and exercise caution if within the vicinity of any event. You should also stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

In the event of an emergency, the U.S. Embassy in Vilnius can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at (370 5) 2665500. We encourage you to visit the Embassy's website, which includes consular information and the most recent messages to the American community in Lithuania.